

The Roaring Twenties



Homework

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The “Roaring Twenties” was a decade that witnessed political, social and economic developments in the United States that led Americans to seek a return to normalcy by investing their confidence in Republican leadership. From 1920-1933 Republican presidents Warren G. Harding, Calvin Coolidge, Herbert Hoover pursued policies that favored business and sought to restore social stability and economic growth.

Using your textbook and your vast knowledge of this period, write a few words in the boxes below that describe how each nation, person or group felt about the issue listed, specific reactions, and the final outcome.

Ch. 21-1 p. 597-602 – The Republican Decade

ISSUE	ATTITUDE	SPECIFIC REACTIONS	OUTCOME
American government ⇨ Communism			
Americans ⇨ International involvement			
American workers ⇨ labor problems (wages, conditions, etc)			
American government ⇨ strikes, labor protests, union activity			
Americans ⇨ Immigrants			
President Harding ⇨ Administration scandals			
President Coolidge ⇨ Government involvement in business			
Americans ⇨ Kellogg-Briand Pact			

Write a summary of the main goals of the Republican presidents of the 1920s.

Chapter 21-2 – A Business Boom p. 631-607 – A Business Boom

“A rising standard of living resulted in the growth of a consumer economy and the rise of the middle class.”

NYS Social Studies Resource Guide – Scope and Sequence

ISSUE	CAUSE	EFFECTS
Development of the Consumer Economy		
Development of the <i>Model T</i> and Ford’s Assembly Line system of production		
Industrial growth		

Write a brief summary of the main reasons for the business boom of the 1920.

Ch. 21-3 p. 609- 613 - Society in the 1920s

ISSUE	DESCRIPTION/EXAMPLES	EFFECTS
Changing role of women		
Changing demographics		
American heroes of the 1920s		

Ch. 21-4 – p.614-619 – Mass Media and the Jazz Age

ISSUE	KEY PEOPLE/PLACES/THINGS	EFFECT ON SOCIETY
Mass Media ⇨ Movies		
Mass Media ⇨ Newspapers		
Mass Media ⇨ Radio		

Conductor Leopold Stokowski said jazz was “an expression of the times, of the breathless, energetic, super-active times in which we are living.” Using the information from your textbook, defend the accuracy of this statement in regard to music, as well as art and literature of the period.

Genre	KEY PEOPLE	WAY IN WHICH IT EXPRESSED THE ERA
MUSIC		
PAINTING		
LITERATURE		

HARLEM RENAISSANCE

DEFINE	CHARACTERISTICS	LASTING IMPACT

Write a summary of the types of cultural changes that took place in the United States in the 1920s.

Ch. 21-5 p. 622-626 – Cultural Conflicts

ISSUE – DEFINE/DESCRIBE	KEY PEOPLE/GROUPS/OTHER	EFFECTS ON SOCIETY
Prohibition 18 th Amendment	Volstead Act - 1919 Al Capone – J. Edgar Hoover -	Bootleggers – Speakeasies – Organized Crime -
Fundamentalism	Billy Sunday	Scopes Trial -
Racial tensions	Red Summer race riots – 1919 Col. William J. Simmons KKK	NAACP – Garvey Movement -

Write a summary to explain why divisions emerged within American society during the 1920s.